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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: T. NINOMIYA, et al

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For: STORAGE SYSTEM HAVING DATA FORMAT CONVERSION  
FUNCTION (Amended)

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**AMENDMENT**

**MS Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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August 16, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 15, 2004, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims**

**Remarks** are included following the amendments.

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